

REMARKS

The Office Action dated April 12, 2007, has been received and carefully reviewed. In response the following is provided. Applicants have cancelled claim 8 in order to further advance prosecution.

THE OFFICE ACTION

Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Pearson et al. (U.S. 4,974,756) in view of Heusser et al.

The Examiner determined that claims 1, 3-7, and 9-12 are allowable.

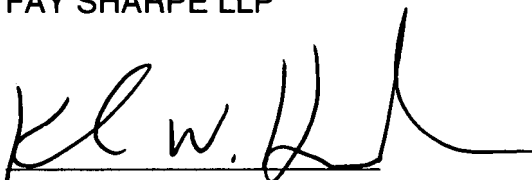
CONCLUSION

Applicants have elected to cancel Claim 8 in order to further advance prosecution.

Each issue raised in the Office Action dated April 12, 2007 has been addressed. Applicants believe all remaining claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully request notice thereof. Applicant's attorney can be reached at the telephone number below if any further information is needed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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